

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 29, 2000

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RE: MUR 4911 Hillary Rodham Clinton for U.S. Senate Exploratory Committee, Inc., and

William J. Cunningham, III, Treasurer

Dear Ms. Utrecht and Mr. Lamb:

On July 30, 1999, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

On February 15, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, and information provided by your clients, that there is no reason to believe your clients violated the Act. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer H. Boyt, the staff member assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

BY:

Lois G. Lerner

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